

## SEX OR KIDNAPPING OFFENDER INFORMATION BULLETIN LEVEL 3 NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE

## SPECIAL ASSAULT UNIT SEX AND KIDNAPPING OFFENDER REGISTRATION DETAIL

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The Seattle Police Department is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550, the Washington State Supreme Court decision in <u>State v. Ward</u>, and the US Supreme Court decision in <u>Connecticut Dept. of Public Safety v. Doe</u> (2003) which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex or kidnapping offenders release when the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex or kidnapping offense that requires registration with the sheriff's office in the county of their residence. Further, their previous criminal history places them in a classification level, which reflects the <u>potential</u> to re-offend.

This sex or kidnapping offender <u>has served</u> the sentence imposed on him by the courts and has advised the King County Department of Public Safety that he will be living in the location below. <u>HE IS NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME.</u> THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.

The Seattle Police Department has no legal authority to direct where a sex or kidnapping offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he chooses.

Sex and kidnapping offenders have always lived in our communities; but it wasn't until passage of the Community Protection Act of 1990 (which mandates sex and kidnapping offender registration) that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share that information with you. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex or kidnapping offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex or kidnapping offender, since they derive their power through secrecy.



Gould, Kirk A W M 3/29/1976

Age: 29

5'9", 147 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes. Tattoo of a cross on his right hand. 10" scar on his right shoulder

AKA: "Crazy Kirk"

Kirk A. Gould was released from prison in September of 2001, after completing his sentence for a 1996 Assault in the Second Degree. The victim in this case was an adult male. Gould stabbed the victim in the arm with a 6-inch filet knife during an argument. In 1992, Gould was convicted of Child Molestation in the First Degree. The victim in this case was a 4-year-old female who was related to Gould. The abuse occurred over a five-month period.

Gould has additional criminal history, including a conviction for two counts of Robbery in the First Degree. On two different dates Gould dressed up as a female and demanded cash from bank tellers while armed with a loaded semiautomatic handgun. He's also been convicted of Taking a Motor Vehicle Without the Owners Permission and Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police Vehicle.

Gould is under the supervision of the Department of Corrections. He has registered as a sex offender as required by law and he's living as "homeless" in the area of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Battery St.

## Additional sex or kidnapping offender information:

As of the date of this bulletin, there are 16,373 sex or kidnapping offenders who have registered as required (since 2/28/90) and are living in Washington State. 3,611 of these are registered to King County addresses. 1,249 are registered to addresses within the city limits of Seattle. State-wide there are an additional 3,049 sex or kidnapping offenders who are required to register and have not and are actively being pursued by law enforcement.